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On OBSTINACY.

OBSTINACY is so much the Idol of the Ignorant, that what the Poet says of Fortune may with equal Energy be said of her Votaries: They first make a Goddess of her, and then adore her. But with this Difference however, the Obstinates, like the old Idolaters in the Scripture, will sacrifice their very Children to this Deity of their own Creating; tho' we read of no such Folly in the Worshippers of the other. True it is, the Obstinates, varying in this from all others, are not at all fond of forcing any into their own Idolatry, rather chusing to have every one a several Goddess, tho' their Way of Worship is pretty near the same. Nevertheless, like the two * *Indian* Kings, who battle it for the white Elephant, whenever two of them meet, Preheminence is disputed; all agreeing in this, that two Suns in the Firmament could not abode more ominous Portents than two Obstinates in one Room, tho' they met together never so accidentally. To explain which, little will be requisite after a Definition of what is properly call'd *Obstinacy*; which I think may be sufficiently made in the following Words. *Obstinacy* is a tenacious Retention of any Opinion, that cannot be supported by Reason and Truth. I am very sensible, against this the most Obstinate will readily answer, that his own Reason leads him to his Opinion, and with a triumphant *Ergo* think he has put to Silence a dangerous Enemy. But, with Submission to the Hero, tho' his own Reason, under a wrong Bias, may so mislead him, Truth will *rectify* that Weakness of his Reason, provided he will lend an unbias'd Ear to her Dictates. No Man's Sentiment or Opinion, against the Opinion of a Majority, ought to be esteem'd true or reasonable on his own bare Authority. This were to raise a *Pope* in every Man's Breast, and Myriads of Infallibles in a World that will never be able to produce us one. For Prepossession and Prejudice are the common Tokens and Evidences of the Frailty of our Nature; and even in Religion, as well as common Life, we daily experience the fatal Influence they have over the Sentiments of the Generality of Mankind. But a wise Man therefore would divest himself of those Rags or Tatters of Nature; and consider that as munificent Providence has endu'd him with rational Faculties, not to make a right Use of them is not to answer the good Intention of the Almighty Donor. And what Use I pray can he be said to make of them, who, without weighing the Opinions of others, will affix his own as a Standard for all? Would we examine our Hearts sincerely we should find not the least room for any such Arrogance; and as People of that Complexion when they meet with an Opponent, of solid Reason, and good Understanding, generally meet with a Baffle or Overthrow, the Confusion that ensues will be avoided by the Allowance of a little decent Consideration. I was in a mixt Company, t'other Day, where the Truth of this was exemplified beyond all Contradiction. Among the rest there was a Parent, and a true Son of that Parent, who made up the Company without much Advantage to their Conversation. They were equally obstinate, and not unequally accoutred for the Contest. Nature unassisted with Art was their sole Mistress; and School Logick like School Divinity equally their intire Aversion. And yet their Ears were so far from being the only Members they made use of, that the Tongue of each of them singly was often sufficient not only to overload both Ears of the other, but his own too, and all around it. A Topick had been advanc'd by one of the Company, which the Son gave into: But the Parent, presuming upon the Authority that he suppos'd his Years might a little entitle him to, suffer'd himself to be precipitated into a Contradiction, purposely, as we after found, to support his imaginary Authority. All the rest, in Deference to *Septimius*, (the Starter of the Thesis) sided with the Son: But all the Reasons, that all of them could produce, wanted Power to silence the Father. *Septimius*, to smother the Clamour he had undesignedly occasion'd, offer'd over and over to give up the Cause: But the Son, to evidence his Legitimacy, like himself, went on arguing without Argument, and defending a rational Tenet without one Grain of Reason. The Subject was a Principle in Musick, which at last *Jack Dryboots* brought to a Solution purely by Banter. Gentlemen, said that sly one, I will, if you will hear me, easily bring this Matter to an Issue, and prove beyond Contradiction, that both Parties are in the Right, or at least that neither are in the Wrong. This Address had its good Effect, and all seem'd inclinable to be attentive to so profound a Moderator; when he thus went on: Here is an Argument advanc'd which *John a Nokes* the Son has espous'd, but *John a Stiles* the Father opposes. The Subject Matter is Musick: Now we all know, that know any Thing, that to make Musick perfect, Discord is an Essential. The Son, by chiming in with the Proposition, had laid a Ground work for a whole Chain of Concords, which, according to the best Principles of that noble Science, must have glutted the Ear, and have endanger'd the main End, which undoubtedly is Pleasure: But the prudent Parent, sensible of the Weakness, pours in a Cloud of Discords, which, if they had had the Luck of being regularly plac'd, must necessarily have heightened the Harmony, and consequently much advanc'd the Entertainment. The Intention in all honest Undertakings, ought to be look'd upon with a favourable Aspect; I therefore humbly propose for the present an Adjournment of the Debate, and that we drink about. But that, against our next Meeting, some one or more of the Society be empower'd and order'd to provide, for publick Use, a Toupee of the largest Size, longest Tail, and fullest plaister'd, to be hung up in this Room, to be voted to the wearing of any or every Person that shall presume to oppose without Argument, or persevere without Reason. The whimsical Address threw the whole Society into a merry Fit, and the Combatants were so asham'd of themselves, and so sensibly affected at the Satire, that they shook Hands, and reciprocally made a Vow to each other to leave those *Insignia* of Obstinacy and Folly to others, by giving themselves a little more up to the Dictates of Reason and Consideration. What Sentiments it might inspire into the rest, I know not: But as soon as we parted, I could not but think this Banter of *Dryboots* might merit a little Reflection. Accordingly when I recover'd my Closet, I made this: That as the most perfect Harmony will not only admit of Discords, but to make it such, true Composition requires them as Essentials; so that Discourse, or rather Conversation, which will not admit of some little Contradiction, must flag of itself, and grow insipid. But then, as the Perfection of all Harmony depends upon the well and nice Placing and Disposing of the Discords among the Concords, so all Opposition that will make Conversation beautiful and instructive, must proceed from Modesty as well as Judgment, lest by endeavouring to avoid the Glutting of the Ear, we strike its *Tympana* with jarring Sounds, that are not only unpleasant, but offensive. If Men, even of the lower Class, could be persuaded to consult Reason rather than indulge their Rashness, that is, if before they affix their own resolute Sentiments they would debate the Matter in their own Minds, and as an assisting Point of Prudence take in the Reason of a Friend along with them, their Opinions, if trifling, would be rejected by themselves, and often save Shame, altho' they should fall short of Honour. How silly must it appear to any one of common Sense that is an Auditor, to hear even a wise man declare, if a wise Man could so declare, that because he has imbib'd any out-o'th'-way Notion, he looks upon himself as oblig'd to defend it! Would it not be an Instance of more Prudence, to say with a little Modesty, Give me a better Reason against my Opinion than I can produce for it, and if I cannot without further Consideration immediately close with yours, I will for my Honour's Sake be silent? I am acquainted in a Family, so unfortunately constituted, that if the *Paterfamiliæ* entertain any Notion, tho' never so wild, he fixes a Resolution upon it, that all the Arguments of the World cannot remove him from. No; were the Ruin of any Part of it apparent to others, his own Positiveness must determine against their Apprehensions, and his Will give Law, that contraverts the Laws of God and Nature. How unhappy to itself is such an obstinate Temper! How unhappy to all that have to do with it! Relation, Friendship, and Humanity, are overpower'd by the sly Insinuations of Ignorance, and they have the Pleasure to see, what he only does not see, that his own inadvertent Obstinacy makes him the Tool and Diversion of the Malice of the Meaner.

* Siam *and* Pegu.

Verses occasion'd by Mr. PALMER's *History of* Printing.

LONG had Mankind with Darkness been oppress'd,
And scarce one PETRARCH nine whole Cent'ries bless'd:
The conquer'd World, and e'en imperial *Rome*,
O'erwhelm'd in Ign'rance, shar'd an equal Doom:
Vandals, and *Monks*, enflam'd with impious Rage,
Drove, like a Torrent, Learning off the Stage:
To native Skies Religion slighted fled,
And heav'nly Science veil'd her blissful Head;
Mysterious Jargon then Devotion seem'd;
Greek, pious Ideots *Heresy* esteem'd;
Yet *Latin* oft was read, —— not understood;
For none but Pray'rs in Sounds unknown were good.
When some kind Pow'r (who now propitious smiles
With sweet Indulgence o'er BRITANNIA's Isles,)
Expell'd around the gloomy *Gothic* Night,
And chear'd the World with dawning Rays of Light.
Inspir'd by him, first FAUST, sagacious Mind!
The great Discov'ry open'd to Mankind:
Rude Characters on wooden Tablets made,
And of the *Printing-Art* the *Basis* laid:
Till fusile *Types*, invented by his Skill,
With num'rous *Tomes* th'admiring Nations fill.
Vast his Attempts, immortal is his Fame,
While *Mentz* reserves the great auspicious Name,
In spite of *Harlem*'s, or of *Strasburgh*'s Claim.
Thence was the Art transplanted to our Coast,
(Whose generous Sons ingenious CAXTON boast,)
Improv'd by various Hands in ev'ry Stage,
Till ALDUS rose, the Genius of the Age!
First, by his Care, behold learn'd *Greece* arise,
And the thick Mists remove from mortal Eyes!
See her fam'd Works in native Lustre shine!
See *Athens* once again the World refine!
While pleasing Scenes o'er *Europe*'s Realms appear,
And Joys, uncommon, ev'ry Mortal chear.
No more Transcribers Negligence is blam'd
For Faulty *Iliads*, or a TULLY maim'd.
No more did HORACE, Bard of sprightly Fire!
Mourn ruder Hands, or BENTLEY's Wit require:
No more the Scholar, press'd by adverse Fate,
Procures a LIVY with his whole Estate.
Swift, o'er the World, learn'd Volumes were diffus'd,
And thousand *Bibles* for one *Missal* us'd:
Divine *Æneids* each Museum grace,
While PLATO's Works assume a SCOTUS' Place:
Each needy Student shews his *Classic* Store,
And boasts such Treasures Kings scarce knew before.
Hail, *Printing!* hail, thou thrice illustrious *Art!*
Which clear'd the Head, and which reform'd the Heart,
Bless'd with new Light a superstitious Age,
And purg'd the Relicts of *Barbaric* Rage.
From thee celestial Streams of Learning flow,
And to thy Pow'r we pure Religion owe.
By thee assisted, LUTHER lash'd the Crimes
Of *Rome*'s vile Clergy, and reform'd the Times;
While off their rev'rend Mask ERASMUS drew,
And ev'ry pious Fraud expos'd to View;

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The Labour finiſh'd, by thy friendly Aid,
Which Hus and WICKLIFF long in vain eſſay'd.
But ſee, ye Learn'd! from far a genial Ray
Dawn in the *Eaſt*, and promiſe riſing Day!
See, diſtant Climes, in this auſpicious Hour,
Receive with Tranſport Learning's ſovereign Pow'r!
Behold this *Art* in fam'd *Byzantium* * riſe,
And barb'rous *Sultans* hail the mighty Prize:
High it advances, o'er the *Mufti's* Rage,
Tho' Prieſts the Ruin of their Craft preſage.
O! would indulgent Heav'n by this reſtore
To *Eaſtern* Lands the Arts they loſt before:
By this make *Turks* their native Rage forego,
And the vile Frauds of MECCA's Prophet ſhow:
While *Aſia's* Realms enjoy a milder Doom,
While *Greece* its *Athens* boaſts, and *Thrace* a ſecond *Rome*;†
O'er diſtant Worlds while Truth and Freedom ſhine,
And conſcious Nations bleſs the *Art* Divine.

* Conſtantinople. † Conſtantinople *was anciently called* New Rome.

To NARCISSA, *on ſeeing her firſt at* Church.

OH! no; I will no Muſe's Aid invoke,
To teach my artleſs Hand the moving Stroke;
A better Genius does my Notes inſpire;
And guides my ready Hand acroſs the trembling Lyre.
Narciſſa! Thou my better Genius art!
Thy Inſpirations now enlarge my Heart:
Accept the Praiſes of my feeble Tongue;
Since it is thou, thyſelf, that doſt inſpire the Song.
When firſt I ſaw thee, with what ſtrange Delight,
My raviſh'd Senſes fed upon thy Sight!
How did I then the happy Hour employ!——
How did my raptur'd Soul all agonize with Joy!
My Heart with ſtrange Convulſions beat; as he
Wou'd thro' my Sides a Paſſage force to thee.
My Soul flew out (nor Reaſon cou'd prevent her,)
As by magnetic Virtue drawn unto her Centre.
My ev'ry Senſe beneath thy Charms did bow;
I felt myſelf all o'er,—— I can't tell how ——
Thro' all my Veins my Blood did tingling move,
And ev'ry Pulſe beat high with Sympathy of Love.
If ſuch Delight ſprings from a diſtant View,
What muſt a mutual, cloſe Engagement do!
Oh! we wou'd all the downy Hours employ
In Heights of rapt'rous Love, and Extaſy of Joy!
But ſay, fair Nymph, from whence this ſweet Surprize?
Or from thy panting Breaſts, or ſparkling Eyes,
That thus cou'd move, my once obdurate Heart?
Oh! no —— The charming Magic lies in ev'ry Part.
Thou ſurely art the Child of Love; for thou
Waſt born in Smiles; and liveſt in 'em now.
Oh! thou waſt ſo divine, you always drew
My Heart, and my Affections down from Heav'n to you!
But when I ſaw thy warm Devotions riſe;
And Flames ſeraphic kindle in thy Eyes;
How did it quicken my Devotions too;
And up they went to fetch the Bleſſing down for you!
Oh! ſure thou art ſome pure celeſtial Mind
That's fated in the Fleſh to be confin'd;
To make us long to be with Saints above,
By ſeeing what they are, and knowing how they love!
Say, Is it not?—— Yes, yes, 'tis ſurely ſo!
Oh let me then *Narciſſa* with thee go.
Full well thou know'ſt the Path: Nor can I miſs
With thee my Way to Realms of everlaſting Bliſs!

PHAON.

SATURDAY, *September* 9.

YESTERDAY was held a General Court of the *South-Sea* Company, when the Minutes of the laſt General Court were read, and Sir *John Eyles*, Bart. the Sub-Governor, acquainted the Court with the Steps taken in relation to the Choice of the Committee for inſpecting the Company's Accounts, and that of the ſaid Committee ſeveral Gentlemen had declined acting, and that not more than five had ever met, whereas by the Reſolution of the former Court, ſeven were requiſite to make a Quorum; on which a Motion being made for reducing the Quorum of the ſaid Committee from ſeven to five, and the ſame being ſeconded, on the Queſtion being put, it was agreed to. A Motion was then made, That it be the Requeſt of the General Court, that the Committee do proceed upon Buſineſs, which Sir *John* and others deſiring and preſſing for, ſignifying that it would be a Satisfaction to the Gentlemen in the Direction, as well as the Proprietors in general; the Queſtion being put, it was reſolved, *Nemine Contradicente*. A State of the Bonds was then read and deliver'd to the Court, wherein it appear'd, that upwards of 700,000l. had been paid off, and 200,000l. were not yet brought in, but that when they were, would be paid. The Gentlemens Names of the Committee for inſpecting the By-Laws being read, on the Queſtion being put, they were continued, and then the Court adjourn'd.

The Dial at St. *Magnus the Martyr* upon the Bridge is now compleatly finiſh'd and gilded, at the Expence of the Inhabitants of the ſaid Pariſh; which, 'tis ſaid, coſt 300l. being now the moſt beautiful Dial in *London*. It was firſt erected by the late Sir *Charles Duncomb*, Knt. in the Year 1700, Alderman of the *Bridge* Ward.

On Thurſday laſt a Carpenter being at work upon a Malt-houſe at *Stanford-Bridge*, between *Wallam-Green* and *Little Cheljea*, fell from the Scaffold, and broke his Back and Skull, and died the ſame Afternoon.

Robbery. On Thurſday laſt at Six in the Evening two Gentlemen on Horſeback, and a Lady in a Chaiſe, were robb'd by one Highwayman and one Foot-pad, on the Road near *Black-Heath*, leading to *Charlton*, not far from the Gate of *Greenwich-Park*: The Highwayman ſtopt the Chaiſe, and one of the Gentlemen turning back to ſee the Cauſe of the Chaiſe's ſtopping, the Highwayman, with the Aſſiſtance of the Foot-pad, robb'd him and the Lady of a Gold Watch and ſome Money. The other Gentleman ſpurring his Horſe to fly to the Aſſiſtance of the Lady and his Friend, was at his joining them knock'd off his Horſe by the Foot-pad, who mounted the ſame, and made off.

Preferment. Laſt Thurſday the Veſtry of St. *Martin's in the Fields* made Choice of Mr. *Richard Downs*, Hoſier to the young Princeſſes, to be Clerk and Sexton of the ſaid Pariſh, a Place worth about 200l. *per Annum*, in the room of Mr. *Young*, deceaſed.

Deaths. William Broughton, Eſq; died on Wedneſday laſt at his Seat at *Haſlemere* in *Surrey*.——On Thurſday died, at his Houſe at *Bethnal-Green*, —— *Okey*, Eſq; one of his Majeſty's Juſtices of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*.

MONDAY, *September* 11.

Laſt Night the new-born Son of his Grace the Duke of *Kent*, ſtiled Earl of *Harold*, was baptized at his Houſe in St. *James's-Square*, by the Name of *George*; when the Earl of *Grantham* ſtood Proxy for his Majeſty, and the Lord *Herbert* for the Prince of *Wales*, as Godfathers; the Hon. Mrs. *Clayton* ſtood Proxy for her Majeſty, and the Counteſs of *Briſtol* for the Princeſs Royal, as Godmothers.

On Monday laſt a great Cricket-Match was plaid at *Kew-Green*, the Gameſters of *London* againſt the whole County of *Middleſex*; among the latter were the four famous Gameſters of *Brentford*; the County went in firſt, and got 101 Notches; the *Londoners* got 188, and hit up two of their Wickets; there was the moſt Money loſt as ever was known upon ſuch an Occaſion.

We hear from *Birmingham* in *Warwickſhire*, that a certain Tradeſman's Wife of that Place dying on a Tueſday, her Husband buried her on the Wedneſday, married again on the Thurſday, his new Wife was brought to Bed on the Friday, and he hanged himſelf on the Saturday.

On Saturday laſt about Two o'Clock in the Afternoon, a Fire broke out at the Houſe of Mrs. *Clarke* in *Three-Crane Court* in the *Borough*, which conſumed the ſaid Houſe with great Part of the Furniture, but by the Induſtry of the Firemen it was extinguiſhed, without any further Damage.

A few Days ſince the Lady of the Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount *How*, Governor of *Barbadoes*, was ſafely deliver'd of a Daughter, at his Lordſhip's Seat at *Langer-Caſtle* in *Nottinghamſhire*.

Mr. *Matthews*, belonging to the *Mint*, being at the *Man in the Moon* in *Newington-Butts*, as he was gathering ſome Pears in the Orchard, the Branch broke whereon he ſtood; by which Means he fell to the Ground and fractured his Skull, ſo that he died upon the Spot.

On Saturday laſt an unhappy Accident happen'd at *Walham-Green* near *Fulham*: As a Carter was driving his Cart home to *Fulham* with Dung, the Horſes took a Fright, occaſioned by two Women ſhaking a Carpet in the Road, whereby the Carter fell from the Shafts, and broke both his Legs.

Yeſterday Morning the Body of a Man was found in *Stepney-Fields*, having his Throat cut and almoſt ſtript naked, by which its believed he was robb'd and murder'd.

Laſt Night a Gentleman's Coachman, that was going over from the *Horſe-Ferry* at *Weſtminſter* to *Lambeth* with ſix Horſes, his Coach being on the other Side, one of the Horſes being frightened, jumpt over-board and was drowned; they were obliged to cut him looſe to ſave the others.

On Wedneſday Night laſt a Perſon on board the *South-Sea* Company's Ship the *Royal Caroline*, Capt. *Samuel Mead*, drawing ſome Brandy out of a Cask in the Gun-Room, ſet Fire to it, and endeavouring to put it out without its being known, was ſo miſerably burnt, as to be unable to execute it, and the Flame appearing, the Ship's Crew ſoon extinguiſh'd it, before it had done any conſiderable Damage.

Robbery. Laſt Thurſday Evening between Seven and Eight o'Clock, a Couple of young Men were robb'd by two Foot-pads between *Bow* and *Mile-End*, of their Cloaths and Money.——The ſame Morning the Houſe of Mr. *Kirwood*, at the *Vine* Tavern in *Gray-Fryars*, *Newgate-ſtreet*, was broke open, and robb'd of ſix Silver Spoons and a Strainer.

Preferments. Mr. *Jonathan Waller*, jun. Alderman of *Northampton*, is appointed to ſucceed *Thomas Railton*, Eſq; deceaſed, in a Place in the *Exchequer*, worth upwards of 200l. *per Annum*——*Peregrine Fury*, Eſq; of the War-Office, is appointed to ſucceed *Hatch Moody*, Eſq; as one of the Clerks in the Pay-Maſter General's Office, who was preferred to the Place of Accomptant-General, in the room of *Robert Sambre*, Eſq; deceaſed.——A few Days ſince the Rev. Dr. *John Wilcox* was collated a Prebendary of St. *Paul's*, in the room of Mr. *Edgley*, deceas'd.——The Rev. Mr. *Deveil* was a few Days ago inſtituted into the Vicarage of *Saling Magna*, in the County of *Eſſex*.

Deaths. On Saturday laſt died, at his Lodge at *Swinly* in *Windſor-Foreſt*, *Francis Negus* of *Dallingoe* in the County of *Suffolk*, Eſq; Repreſentative in Parliament ſeveral Years for the Town of *Ipſwich*, Avener and Clerk-Martial to his Majeſty, Maſter of his Majeſty's Buck-Hounds, Ranger of *Swinly-Chace*, Lieutenant and Deputy Warden of *Windſor-Foreſt*, and one of the Commiſſioners of the Lieutenancy for the County of *Middleſex*.——*Thomas Sutton*, Eſq; died on Saturday laſt at his Houſe at *Kenſington*——Mr. *Joteline*, Rector of *High-Ruden* in the County of *Eſſex*, died a few Days ago, which Living he had held near 40 Years, and worth upwards of 200l. *per Annum*.——*Thomas Hunt*, Eſq; died a few Days ago, at his Seat at *South-Maſton*, in the County of *Wilts*.

TUESDAY, *September* 12.

Yeſterday the Seſſions ended at the *Old Bailey*, when the 19 following Perſons received Sentence of Death, *viz. John Bumpus*, *Charles Patrick*, *Vyner White*, *James Vaughan*, for ſeveral Robberies on the Highway; *William Shelton*, the Apothecary, for a Robbery on the Highway; *Benjamin Lowder*, for ſending a threatning Letter to Mr. *Fairchild*; *John Johnſon*, alias *Drew*, for ſix Robberies on the Highway; *Paul Cray* and *Lewis de Vic*, for robbing the Lodgings of *Abraham Elton*, Eſq; of a Trunk and a Diamond Ring Value 60l. *Edward Perkins* and *John Magrady*, for robbing of *Thomas Wallis* on the Highway near *Whitechapel*; *Joſeph Powis*, for robbing the *Black Raven* in *Fetter-Lane*; *James Brotwick*, for robbing his Maſters Meſſrs. *Jeffreys*; *Peter Bell*, for cutting off a Woman's Pocket in *Newgate-Market*; *William Flemming*, for a Robbery on the Highway; *Edward Dalton* and *Richard Griffith*, for the Murder of *John Waller*, who ſtood in the Pillory for Perjury; and *Elizabeth Pardoe*, for robbing of her Miſtreſs *Elizabeth Deval* of 61. in Money. Forty were caſt for Tranſportation, one was burnt in the Hand, and two were order'd to be whipt. *William Worrel* was tried with *Dalton* and *Griffith*, for the Murder of *Waller*, and acquitted.

At the ſaid Seſſions came on the Trial of *William Holmes*, for aſſaulting *Bartholomew Harnet* on the King's Highway, in the *Upper Moor-Fields*, on Wedneſday the 19th of *July*, putting him in Fear, and robbing him of 5s. 9d. and a Silver Buckle. The Proſecutor ſwore, that on the abovesaid Day, about Eight at Night, he met the Priſoner at *Iron-Gate* near the *Tower*, and he being a Stranger in Town, enquired the Way of him to *Biſhopſgate-ſtreet*, which he offer'd to ſhew him, and carried him thro' many Streets and Alleys till he brought him into *Moor-Fields*, when the Proſecutor told him that he knew where he was then, and offer'd him 2d. for his Trouble, which he refuſed; and then gave a Whiſtle, when an Accomplice came up to him, clapt a Piſtol to his Breaſt, and demanded his Money, which he gave him, being the Sum in the Indictment; afterwards they took one of the Buckles out of his Shoes, and were about to take the other, when hearing People on the Road, they made off with what they got: To confirm this, he brought Mr. *Hoar* the Conſtable, Juſtice *Chamberlain*, his Landlady, and two other Perſons, who

ſwore that he told them the Story of his being robb'd, as above-mentioned: Another Man, who was aſſiſting in taking the Priſoner at the Ring in *Moorfields* the next Night after the Robbery was ſaid to have been committed, ſwore, that the Proſecutor told him, that the Priſoner was then at the Ring, and had the Buckle upon him; on which they ſeized him immediately and carried him before Juſtice *Chamberlain*, being ſearched, the Buckle was found in his Coat Pocket; the Priſoner denied the Fact, but was committed to *Newgate*. The Judge took a particular Notice to the Gentlemen of the Jury of that Evidence who ſwore that the Proſecutor told him, when they were about to take the Priſoner, that the Buckle was upon him. The Priſoner being called on to make his Defence, he declared that he was a Sawyer by Trade, and had worked with Mr. *Plympton* in *Petticoat-Lane* for ſome Years; and ſaid that he was wholly innocent of what he was charged with; and to prove which he had ſeveral Evidences; firſt his Father-in-Law, who ſwore that on the 19th of *July*, when the Robbery was ſaid to have been committed, he was with him and ſeveral Relations at Supper at his Brother-in-Law's in *Petticoat-Lane*, from Eight in the Evening till after Eleven; which Evidence was confirmed by four others, who were preſent and never ſtirred out of the Room till after Eleven, when the Priſoner, his Wife, his Father-in-Law and Siſter went home together; his Siſter ſwore that ſhe ſaw him almoſt undreſt and ready to go to Bed before ſhe departed: He called a great Number of Perſons of Credit and Reputation to his Character; his Maſter (Mr. *Plympton*) appeared firſt, and gave him the Character of an honeſt, induſtrious Man, having worked for him many Years, and that he had never heard any ill Thing of him; five others alſo gave him the ſame Character; when the Court told him he need not call any more: Whereupon Mr. Baron *Thompſon* ſummed up the Evidence, and took Notice in a particular Manner of the Villainy that was deſigned in endeavouring to take away an innocent Man's Life; and the Jury (without going out) brought in their Verdict, *Not Guilty*. The Court was pleaſed to grant him a Copy of his Indictment, and to be diſcharged immediately without paying any Fees; and withal directed the Priſoner to proceed againſt the Proſecutor for wilful and corrupt Perjury. The Proſecutor being called on by the Court, to know what Employment he was of, and how he lived, ſaid, that he was a Stranger, and lately come from *Cork*, where he kept a Brandy-Shop; but was obliged to flee from thence for running of Goods: He could give no Manner of Account how he lived there, nor call any Perſons to his Reputation; whereupon he was immediately ordered into Cuſtody of the Keeper of *Newgate*, in order to be proſecuted at the next Seſſions.

Alſo at the ſaid Seſſions came on the Tryal of *John Ayſhford* (charged on the Oath of *William Curtis*) for the deteſtable Sin of Sodomy; the Tryal laſted about an Hour, when the Priſoner was honourably acquitted; the ſaid *Curtis*, by his own Confeſſion, was notoriouſly perjured, and ordered to remain in Court till the Jury had brought in their Verdict, when a Copy of the Indictment was granted the Priſoner. Several Perſons of Credit and Reputation appeared in Behalf of Mr. *Ayſhford*, but the Caſe appeared ſo very plain to the Court, only three were examined. It is remarkable, this was the third Perſon tried on *Curtis*'s Evidence, and all acquitted.

The Court was pleaſed to make an Order, that for the future no Sollicitor ſhould ſollicit in that Court during the Seſſions in any Affair, either for the Proſecutor or Priſoner, but ſuch Perſons as are ſworn Attornies, and admitted as ſuch: And granted a Warrant againſt a noted Sollicitor who frequented that Court, for Subornation of Perjury.

On Friday laſt the Workmen began to meaſure out the Piece of Ground and dig a Foundation for a Vault near *Marybone*, for a Burial-Ground belonging to the new Chapel there, which the Earl of *Oxford* made a Preſent of for that Purpoſe.

Yeſterday two *Eaſt-India* Men were launched at Capt. *Blundon*'s Dock at *Deptford*.

Edinburgh, *Sept.* 5. On Friday the Lady of the Right Hon. the Earl of *Kelley*, was ſafely deliver'd of a Son and Heir.

Commitment. A Sailor to *Newgate*, for throwing his Meſſmate over-board out of the Long-Boat, by which he was drowned.

Preferment. Laſt Week Mr. *How* of *New-Windſor*, was ſworn one of the Gentlemen of the Chapel Royal, in the room of the late Sub-Dean *Aſpinwall*.

Deaths. *George Goldham*, Eſq; died on Sunday laſt at his Houſe at *Plaiſtow* in *Eſſex*.——Laſt Saturday Se'nnight died at *Exeter*, the Rev. Mr. *Reynar*, Rector of St. *Steven*'s in that City.

WEDNESDAY, *September* 13.

Yeſterday as a Gentleman and Lady were ſailing down to *Woolwich*, the Boat by a ſudden Squawl of Wind was unfortunately overſet: But a Pair of Oars coming by at that Juncture, the whole Company was preſerved, and no other ill Conſequence attending it, but the Loſs of the Gentleman's Hat and Wig.

The Rev. Mr. *Evans*, Prebendary of *Weſtminſter-Abbey*, who died lately, hath by his Will left to the *Grey-Coat Hoſpital* 20l. to the *Infirmary* of *Weſtminſter* 20l. to the *Workhouſe* 20l. and to the Charity-School of St. *Bride*'s 20l.

Commitments. A Man to the *New-Goal* in *Southwark*, for Shop lifting.——A Woman to *Newgate*, for picking a Gentleman's Pocket of a Gold Watch, Value 20l.——A Man to the ſaid Goal, for a Robbery on the Highway near *Hendon* in *Middleſex*.

Preferments. Yeſterday there was a Board of Admiralty, when their Lordſhips were pleaſed to appoint Capt. *Oates*, who was lately appointed Commander of the new *Cruizer* Sloop at *Deptford*, to be Commander of the new Sloop *Spy* at *Sheerneſs*; and Mr. *Philpot* was by their Lordſhips appointed Lieutenant of the ſaid Sloop.——Their Lordſhips were alſo pleaſed to appoint Capt. *Joſeph Linger* to be Captain of the *Cruizer* Sloop at *Deptford*, in the room of Capt. *Oates*.——And the Gunner, Boatſwain, and Carpenter of the old *Tryal* Sloop, which was ſold, were by their Lordſhips appointed Officers in the ſame Station on board the *Spy* Sloop.

Bankrupts. *Thomas Ferrers*, late of *London*, Upholſterer, but now of St. *George's Southwark*, in the County of *Surrey*——*Stephen Williams*, of *Execution-Dock*, in the County of *Middleſex*, Diſtiller.——*John Raper*, late of *Queenhithe*, *London*, Meal-Factor.——*Ralph Williamſon*, of *Thames-ſtreet*, *London*, Corn-Factor.

THURSDAY, *September* 14.

On Saturday Morning *Anthony Luthire*, Eſq; of *Dedenhurſt*, near *Brentwood*, in the County of *Eſſex*, being diſorder'd in his Senſes, ſhot himſelf, and died a few Hours after.

On Monday the Horſe-Races began at *Barnet*, when three Horſes ſtarted for the 20l. Plate, which was won by a Horſe call'd *Splints* and *Spavins*. An unhappy Accident happen'd at the ſame Time, *viz.* a Gentleman in Liquor, attempting to run with thoſe that ſtarted, his Horſe threw him and broke his Neck, ſo that he died on the Spot.

Yeſterday a Cricket-Match was play'd in the *Artillery-Ground*, between the City of *London* and the County of *Middleſex*, and the latter gain'd the Advantage by the firſt Hands, but the ſecond Goings-in the City brought it up within ſeven Notches, and had ſeven Hands to come in, when the *Middleſex* Side gave out, under Pretence that the Time of Play was expired.

The ſame Day two Horſes belonging to Mr. *Day* and Mr. *Snogden*, both of *Hamſtead*, ran from *Tottenham-Court* Turnpike to *Hamſtead-Hill*, for 300l. including Bets, which was won by the former.

The Commiſſioners of the Treaſury have order'd 300l. to be paid to the Perſons concerned in the apprehending *Benjamin Lowder*, convicted laſt Seſſions of ſending an incendiary Letter to Mr. *Fairchild*, a Coachmaker, in *Great Queen-ſtreet*, *Lincoln's-Inn-Fields*.

Laſt Tueſday an unhappy Accident happen'd, a Woman who uſed to drive a Cart from *London* to *Clapham* with Goods, and back again, was preſſed to Death between her own Cart and another, by the *Gulley-Hole* in *Thames-ſtreet*.

The ſame Day a Fire happen'd at Mr. *Powell's* in *Paul's-Alley*, the Back-ſide of the *Mitre* Tavern in *Fenchurch-ſtreet*, which did great Damage to the Houſe it began in, but by the timely Aſſiſtance of the Firemen and Neighbours, it was prevented doing any further.

Robberies. On Monday laſt two Gentlemen were attacked and robbed by two Highwaymen, of 7l. and a Silver Watch, on *Putney-Common*, and one of the Rogues changed Horſes with one of the Gentlemen, which is valued at 20l.—The ſame Night, about Seven o'Clock, the *Barnet* and another Coach were robb'd near that Town, by a ſingle Highwayman; after which he attempted to rob two Men belonging to ——— *Cotterel*, Eſq; but they diſmounted him; however after a great Scuffle he got off, leaving his Horſe, Great Coat, and Hat behind him.

Commitment. A Man to *Newgate*, for Houſe-breaking.

Marriage. A few Days ſince the Rev. Mr. *Cantrell*, of *Derby*, was married to Miſs *Jenney Cradock*, of *Markfield* in *Leiceſterſhire*, a beautiful young Lady, of great Merit and Fortune.

Deaths. On Monday laſt died, at his Seat in *Oxfordſhire*, the Hon. *Abraham Stanyan*, Eſq; who reſided many Years at the *Ottoman* Court, as Ambaſſador from the King of *Great Britain*.——Laſt Night died Mr. *Horncaſtle*, a Brewer's Son in *King-ſtreet*, *Golden-Square*, of a Bite by a mad Dog.

FRIDAY, *September* 15.

Yeſterday at Noon a Detachment of the Horſe and Horſe Grenadier Guards, march'd thro' this City towards *Harwich*, to wait his Majeſty's Landing from *Holland*; and in the Evening another Detachment paſs'd the *Thames* to *Lambeth*, to march towards *Margate* on the ſame Account.

His Grace the Duke of *Newcaſtle*, as Lord Lieutenant of the County of *Middleſex* and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, has given Orders for the Marching of the three Regiments of Trained Bands belonging to the ſaid County and Liberty, in a Fortnight's Time.

We hear that upwards of 500 Perſons are already regiſtered to go over and ſettle in the new Colony of *Georgia* in *America*.

Yeſterday one of the three Perſons that lately broke out of the *Gatehouſe*, *Weſtminſter*, was taken in *Leather-Lane*, by Mr. *Bignal* the Turnkey, and carried back to the ſaid Priſon.

Laſt Wedneſday Morning Mr. *Baker*, Groom of the Chambers to the Lady *Iſabella Scott*, Daughter to the late Dutcheſs of *Monmouth*, had the Misfortune to fall from his Horſe near *Harrow on the Hill*, by which Accident he broke his Collar-Bone, and bruiſed himſelf in ſuch a Manner, that he now lies dangerouſly ill of the ſame.

Yeſterday ſeven or eight Juſtices of the Peace of the Committee appointed at the *Weſtminſter* Seſſions for ſuppreſſing Night-Houſes, *&c.* met at St. *Martin's* Veſtry, and examin'd ſeveral idle and diſorderly Perſons, reputed Thieves and Pickpockets, apprehended late the Night before by the Conſtables in ſeveral Parts of the City and Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, and ſome of the moſt notorious of them, who were taken in a very diſorderly Brandy-Shop by *Mermaid-Court* at *Charing Croſs*, were committed to *Tothill-Fields Bridewell* to hard Labour: And the ſaid Juſtices have agreed to meet weekly, on Purpoſe to ſuppreſs diſorderly Brandy Shops that are kept open in the Night time for the entertaining and harbouring of wicked and diſſolute Perſons in the Liberty of *Weſtminſter*, it appearing by the Trials laſt Week at the *Old-Bailey*, that ſeveral Perſons have gone from thoſe Places to rob in the Streets, *&c.*

The ſame Day a young Man hanged himſelf at his Father's Houſe in *Thieving-Lane*, *Weſtminſter*, being diſorder'd in his Senſes.

Laſt Wedneſday ſeveral Proprietors of *Eaſt-India* Stock offered to the Court of Directors to lend the Company 240,000l. on their Bonds, payable in 18 Months, at 3 *per Cent. per Ann.* the Intereſt payable Half yearly; which the Court accepted of, and the Money is to be paid on or before the 30th Inſt. One of the Subſcribers for raiſing the aforeſaid Sum, immediately after ſold 5000l. of the Bonds at 1 ½ *per Cent.* Premium.

Robberies. On Tueſday in the Evening, one Mr. *Thornton* of *Richmond*, was attack'd in the Fields near *Clapham*, by two Foot pads, one of them held a Piſtol to his Breaſt, while the other rifled him, and took from him three Guineas and ſome Silver.——Laſt Tueſday Morning about Five o'Clock, Mr. *Weſtbey*, Steward to the Duke of *Norfolk*, and another Gentleman, were attacked by two Highwaymen about two Miles on this Side of *Northampton*, in the *Northampton* Stage Coach, in their Return to *London*; who took from them all their Money, Watches, Portmantuas, *&c.*——On Wedneſday laſt a Gentleman and his Footman were attacked on their Return to *London* from *Richmond*, on *Putney-Common*, by a ſingle Highwayman, who took from the Footman the Portmanteau, in which were ſeveral Things of Value, but did not attempt to take any Thing from the Gentleman.

Preferments. The Lords of the Admiralty have been pleaſed to appoint Capt. *Wynell*, to be Commander of his Majeſty's new Sloop building at *Plymouth*, which is to be called the *Saltaſh*.——*Timothy Watkinſon*, Eſq; is appointed Captain of a Company in Col. *Lance*'s Regiment of Foot on the *Iriſh* Eſtabliſhment——Yeſterday was held a Court of Aldermen at *Guildhall*, when Mr. *Brookſby* was accepted Clerk-Sitter of *Wood-ſtreet* Compter, in the room of Mr. *Woodhouſe*, deceaſed.

Deaths. On Monday laſt died, in the 81ſt Year of his Age, Mr. *Thomas Harris*, formerly an eminent Haberdaſher in *Newgate-ſtreet*, and Common-Council-Man for the Ward of *Farringdon Within* many Years.

High Water at *London-Bridge*, Saturday the 16th of *Sept.* at 7 13 in the Morning, and 7 48 in the Afternoon.

Sund.	8	22	Morn.	8	57	Aft.	Wedn.	11	54	Morn.	12 0 Aft.
Mon.	9	34		10	9		Thurſ.	12	26		12 56
Tu.	10	44		11	20		Friday	1	24		1 50

Full Moon, Saturday the 23d, at One in the Morning.

SHIP NEWS

Yesterday came Advice that the *Rose*, *Thomas de Spana* Master, of and belonging to *Bilbao*, was loſt off of *Lewes* on the Coaſt of *Suſſex*, and bound for *London*, loaded with Iron, Wool, *&c.* the Maſter and Men with ſome few Bags of Wool are ſaved, but the Ship is beat all to Pieces: This is the ſecond Ship the ſaid Maſter has moſt unfortunately loſt within theſe three Years.

FOREIGN PORTS.

Barbadoes, July 17. *Arrived* the Suſanna, Holland; Ruby, Blizard; St. Andrew, late Webb, now Applebee; from *Guinea*. At *Mountſerat* is *arrived* the John, Weſt; from *London*.

Liſbon, Auguſt 30. *Arrived* the St. Cecilia, Morley; from *Amſterdam*; Eagle, Chilley; *New-Caſtle*; William, Sucket; *New-England*; Brageenza, Lyon; Boulter, Lyon; Lisbon-Packet, Hancock; Queen of Portugal, King; *London*. *Sailed* the 20th and 21ſt Seahorſe, Wills, from *Cork*; Flaxney, Annis; Good-Intent, Kemp; Maty, Savage, *Streights*; Warrington, Hipper, *Terceira*. *At Oporto is arrived* the Swan, Ellis, from *London*.

Hamburgh, Sep. 11. Arrived Hamburgh-Packet, Mitchel, from *London*.

N. B. No *French* Mail being arrived, we cannot give any Account of Ships arrived in *Spain* and the *Streights*.

HOME PORTS.

Liverpool, Sept. 10. *Arrived* the John, Wallis; from *New England*; Walpoole, Gildart; *Virginia*; Dove, Corrin; *Antigua*; Eagle, Benſon; *Mountſerat*; Lyon, Richardſon; *St. Kitts*; Manaſſys Larke, Aſpinal; *Gottenburgh*; and the Thomas, from *Dantzick*.

Briſtol, Sept. 11. *Arrived* Bumper, Jeffrys; from *Nevis*; Nightingale, *Jamaica*.

Falmouth, Sept. 9. *Sailed* the Leviathan, Bennet; for *Morlaix*; Two Siſters, Allen; *Faro*. *Arrived* Townſhend, Cooper; from *Corunna*.

Portſmouth, Sept. 11. *Arrived* Providence, Harris; from *Rotterdam*; John and Peter, Paine; Anguſ, Dove; Benjamin, Wych; John and Rebecca, Kirby; Bourdeaux-Merchant, Beach; all from *London*. *Sailed* Duke of Cumberland, Lund; for *Leghorn*.

Dover, Sept. 10. *Sailed* Greyhound, Harriſon; for the *Streights*.

Graveſend, Sept 14. *Arrived* the Hanover-Aliance, Major, from *Stockholm*; Nightingale, Croſwait; Nightingale, Beilby; Thomas, Neve; Samuel and Rebecca, Colk; Godſpeed, Francis; Arthur and Sarah, Simpſon; *Norway*; St. Peter, Whaſo; *Hamburgh*; Mary, Guireen; Four Friends, Judgſon; *France*; Lucitania, Ducket; *Liſbon*. *Sailed* between the 4th and 8th Mary, Jermin; Ann, Keeble; Abbot, Horſley; Hopewell, Curling; Sarah, Belfour; for the *Baltick*; Britannia, Howlation; Lydia and Rachael, Lemon; Nancy, Alcock; Francis and Ann, Moody; Page, Griffith; Staak, Maſonſon; *Holland*; Royal Vineyard, Brown; *France*; Succeſs, Holloway; *Portugal*; Antelope, Morris; *Seville*.

Deal, Sept. 14. *Remain* the King George, Harris; Recovery, Wheatley; Fox, Johnſon; for the *Weſt-Indies*; Nancy, Cutler; *Guinea*; Succeſs, Snelling; John, Jones; Rebecca, Malburne; Abigal and Ann, Hening; for *North America*; Hydra, Shewel; *Cadiz*; King of Portugal; Hughs; *Liſbon*; Lucy, Wood; Benjamin, Spencer; *Legborn*; Mary, Kerfoot; *Oporto*; Providence, Crane; Charity, Calverley; Nathaniel, Pluckington; *Ireland*. *Arrived* John and Judith, Rogers; Mary, Newſon; Charming Salley, Fiſher; Mermaid, Crawford; , Perkins; Machem, Partis; Barbadoes-Factor, Fell; Loyal Jane, Chandler; *Rye Man of War, with Rear Admiral Stuart on board*; Loyal Charles, Way; Margaret, Baldwin; Betty, Marſhal; Martha, Weldon; Morrice, Myers; Charming Betty, Eggleſton; John, Pipon; Ruſſell, Cooper; *all from the Weſt-Indies*; Proſperity, Macliſter; *Barbary*; Young-Man's Inheritance, Harriſon; Dolphin, Alden; King George, Buckler; Glouceſter, Taylor; , Shakeſpear; Sarah and Mary, Lane; Alexander, Downing; Nelly, Gear; James, Adair; *all from North America*; Providence, Hubbard; Thomaſin, Page; *Portugal*; Happy George, Fitzgerald; *Canaries*; Stambolin, Horſwel; Dorothy, Morley; Maria, Thurman; America, Croney; *Streights*; Charming Salley, Bagſter; San Lewis, Brownel; Ailſbury, Newton; Don Carlos, Clark; *Cadiz*. Wind *Sept.* 7 E. 8 E. 9 NE. by E. 10 W. 11 SW. 12 W. 13 W. 14 W.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Paris, Sept. 12. N. S.

WE have now the Favour of Mr. *Thompſon*'s Company, a Gentleman of *Charitable* Memory, who was lately caſt out of the Territories of the *Church*. He keeps himſelf as yet very private, ſees but few Friends, to whom he complains much of the *Protection* and *Encouragement* found at *Rome*. For ſix Days, he ſays, he was depoſited in a Dungeon, and the otherwiſe rigorous Confinement he ſuffered, brought on him a violent Fit of Sickneſs, but hopes now in a Way to do well. An Agent from his Acquaintance in *London* has juſt ſpoke with him, who had been alſo upon an Embaſſy fifteen Days before in *Scotland*. He turns Poſts for *England* Tomorrow; but for Mr. *Thompſon*, he purpoſes, as far as we can hear, to ſtay ſome Time longer abroad, for the Benefit of his Recovery.

By Letters from *Rome*, of the 27th of *Auguſt*, we learn, that certain *Engliſh* Gentlemen, and with them two Ladies, arrived there ſome Days before, and are already preparing to depart. It was ſuppoſed, that one among them had been ſent by another certain Perſon, not proper to be named, to ſpeak with Mr. *Thompſon*; but he was gone for *France*; ſo if that was their Errand, loſt is their Labour. But perhaps he may be viſible at the Return home. *Thompſon* in his Sickneſs told the Phyſician that attended him in the Caſtle of St. *Angelo*, that he had cleared his Breaſt of that iniquitous Affair; therefore we may expect in due Time to ſee ſome Secrets brought into Light, that now lie a little in Shade.

There is great Talk here, of a new *Charitable Company*, built pretty near the Model of the old one at *London*. Their Offices are in the Woods of *Chelles*, *Bondi*, and ſome others about this City. Like the other, they take all, Stock and Block; but then they are not ſo cruel as to leave the Sufferers to ſtarve; they rid them of their Money and their Pain both together; ſeveral of them having been found aſſaſſinated in the Woods above-mentioned. However, Orders are given now to purſue the Managers, before they become too rich, and buy Seats in *P*———. The Chief of this *Band*, or *Corporation*, of Thieves, calls himſelf, *Dance in the Air*.

According to ſome Advices from *Corſica*, a new Inſurrection is broke out in that Iſland, for the ſeveral Reaſons following, namely, That the Republick of *Genoa* refuſes to execute the Treaty lately made with the *Corſicans* under the Emperor's Guaranty, the impriſoning their four Chiefs after a general Amneſty had been granted them, as well as others, and that inſupportable Taxes are laid on the *Corſicans*, towards reimburſing the Expences of the War; mean Time, 'tis certain, the Emperor greatly diſapproves the Conduct of the Republick.

Algiers, July 15. N. S. The News of the *Spaniſh* Fleet's being arrived before *Oran* with a great Army, and that the Bey, being ſtruck with a Pannick, had abandoned the Town and Forts, put every Body here in ſuch a Fright, that the *Engliſh*, *French*, and other Merchants ſettled in this City, ſent away their Effects, and the *Moors* carried theirs into the Country, for fear of a Bombardment, though the Dey contrived a Report to be ſpread, that the *Spaniards* had not yet made themſelves Maſters of *Oran*. However, ſuch Care has been ſince taken to put all Things in Order, and the Fortifications to the Land and Sea-ſide are ſo well repaired and augmented, that we think we have now nothing to fear. The Chevalier *de Vatan*, who was here with a *French* Squadron, offered no Hoſtility, having only brought over a new Conſul. All our *Corſairs* are ordered to ſtay in the Harbour for ſome Time; and no Prize has been ſent in a long while.

Paris, Sept. 15. N. S. All the Letters from *Spain* confirm this News: That when the Duke *de Ripperda*'s 'Squire was put to the Queſtion, he not only confeſſed, that he came to *Ceuta* in order to ſeduce ſeveral Perſons, but that he was alſo charged with a Letter from the King of *Morocco* to a certain Potentate, to challenge a Promiſe the latter had made him, to ſend Ships to block up *Ceuta* by Sea, while *Oſman Ripperda* ſhould make the Siege of it by Land. The ſaid Letter (they ſay) was found between the Soles of his Shoes.

Hamburgh, Sept. 8. The Advices from *Peterſburgh* import, that the War between the *Turks* and *Perſians* being very vigorous, the Empreſs had ſent Orders to the Frontiers to favour neither one nor the other Side, however, 50,000 Men lie ready to march in caſe of Need. It is ſaid Admiral *Jordan* will be ſuddenly declared Commander in Chief of all the *Ruſſian* Naval Forces, and the Son of Vice-Admiral *Wilſter* is appointed to command the Fleet on the *Caſpian* Sea. It is added, that by Order of the Empreſs, 12000 Men of the regular Troops were gone out of their Quarters in *Smolensko* and *Kiowia*, to march towards the *Pruth*; and that they ſuddenly expected to hear of the *Muſcovites* undertaking ſome great Enterprize againſt the Crim *Tartars*. The Guards of *Preobrazinski* and *Simonowski* have received Orders to ſend their Tents and Baggage, by Way of *Veronitz*, to *Moſcow*, and another conſiderable Sum of Money has been lately ſent from *Peterſburgh* to *Aſtracan* and *Derbent*, for pay in the *Ruſſian* Troops in thoſe Parts.

Seville, Auguſt 23. N. S. The laſt Letters from *Ceuta* import, that the Emperor of *Morocco*'s Forces were ſtrengthening, and intrenching themſelves near that Place, that they receiv'd from Time to Time ſome new Reinforcements, and that Admiral *Perez* was gone to *Tetuan*, to order the Building two new Men of War.

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